GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA

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PROCUREMENT OF CONVERTERS
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether, the Government had procured two gas-tight high temperature rotary tubular converters and one multipurpose rotary converter during 1999 and 2001;

(b) if so, whether these converters have since been commissioned/installed;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the loss suffered by the Government due to delay. installing/commissioning them; and

(e) the action taken against the officials responsible for the delay?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER`S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir, in 2004.

(c): Does not arise in view of (b) above.

(d) There was no loss suffered by the Government Uninterrupted supply of fuel for research reactors was made possible by ensuring regular maintenance of the existing converters in the old Plant. Though the installation of the equipment was delayed due to changes in layout as a result of later availability of space nearby the availability of equipment as per planned schedule provided redundancy to avoid interruption in fuel supply to research reactors in the event of breakdown of old equipment.

(e) Question of delay on the part Ill any official does not arise,as the schedule of procurement action of converters was a conscious dccisionl to ensure availability of standby converters.